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For: CORROSION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING

ALLOY AND DEVICE USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the examination thereof, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 12 and 15-20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 12 and 15-20 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in order to be prosecuted in a continuation application.

Examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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